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Troubled Financial Affairs Taken Off Weary Shoulders of Borax Magnate.

CAPITALIZED AT \$200,000,000

Syndicate of British and American Financiers Comes to Rescue.

F. M. SMITH IS OUT OF IT NOW

Didn't Know Whether He Was Worth Fortune or Not a Buck.

KEPT EVERYTHING IN HIS HEAD

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SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—F. M. (Borax) Smith, one of the amazing number of multimillionaires produced through the material riches of the far west, had his troubled financial affairs, capitalized at \$200,000,000, taken out of his weary hands today by men who will try to untangle them. A syndicate of British and American capitalists, represented by George C. Moore of Detroit and B. Fitzgerald of London, agreed to take over the United Properties company, which really was Smith, and see what they can do with it. Upon their success depends Smith's possible rehabilitation. All the creditors feel secure.

Overwhelmed by more money than he could count, according to him from rich borax deposits which he developed and from which he got his nickname, Smith started to promote big enterprises. He built a magnificent traction system among the cities across the bay from San Francisco; he developed great tracts of land, financed light and power companies and Nevada mines.

He kept it in his head. He kept all the management of all the concerns mostly in his head and finally he did not know any more than anyone else, whether he was worth any money at all or not.

Two factions undertook his rehabilitation, and today's action is regarded as a triumph for one of them. Smith may yet be wealthy again, his creditors say. They will invest about \$15,000,000 to straighten things out.

Contracts for the complete financing of all the companies involved were signed today between Moore, who with English capitalists, will furnish about \$10,000,000 at once, and the United Properties' trustees, the Smith advisory committee, William S. Tevis, R. G. Hanford and the Hanford Investment company.

The total amount to be furnished in the purchase of stocks, payment of notes, purchase of bonds and development in the near future is estimated at from \$16,000,000 to \$20,000,000.

Moore buys at a value of \$30 a share the 2,000,000 preferred shares of the traction companies, which are held by the United Properties trustees, and 25,000 of the 65,000 shares held by the Smith advisory committee and the Mercantile Trust company for creditors who had received this security as collateral on loans made to Smith.

Smith emerges from the unemerging process as an outsider so far as concerns a part in directing the destinies of the properties.

Terre Haute Mayor Indicted as Briber

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 18.—Mayor Donn M. Roberts was arrested tonight on indictments charging him with bribery, conspiracy to commit fraud and stuffing ballot boxes. The indictments, six in number, were returned late today by a special grand jury named to investigate election fraud charges. The indictments are based on alleged acts of Roberts during the election of 1912.

Accompanied by twenty business men from bondsmen Mayor Roberts appeared at the sheriff's office and gave bail in the sum of \$5,000. The mayor declined to comment on the indictments.

MILITANT WOMAN IS TAKEN AFTER LONG CHASE

LONDON, Jan. 18.—Phyllis Brady, a well known militant suffragette, after evading the police for ten months, was arrested and brought before a police court today. The magistrate committed her for trial at the London sessions on a charge of arson. She is believed to be one of the suffragettes who set fire to the residence of Lady White, widow of Field Marshal Sir George White, at Englefield Green, on March 20.

The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.	Hours.	Deg.
5 a. m.	34	34
6 a. m.	34	34
7 a. m.	34	34
8 a. m.	34	34
9 a. m.	34	34
10 a. m.	34	34
11 a. m.	34	34
12 m.	34	34
1 p. m.	34	34
2 p. m.	34	34
3 p. m.	34	34
4 p. m.	34	34
5 p. m.	34	34
6 p. m.	34	34
7 p. m.	34	34

Comparative Local Record.	1914	1913	1912	1911
Highest yesterday	47	33	37	37
Lowest yesterday	34	10	20	20
Normal temperature	34	34	34	34
Excess for the day	13	-1	3	3
Total excess since March	112	-12	28	28
Normal precipitation	.02	.02	.02	.02
Excess for the day	.02	.00	.00	.00
Total rainfall since March	34.17	34.17	34.17	34.17
Deficiency since March 1	4.36	4.36	4.36	4.36
Efficiency for cor. period, 1912, 1913, 1914	100	100	100	100
Deficiency for cor. period, 1912, 1913, 1914	0	0	0	0

START MAIL WEIGHING SOON

Quadrennial Work of Ascertaining Its Bulk Begins in February.

FIXES RAILROAD CHARGES

Average Avoided for 105 Days is Basis Used in Reckoning the Amount Due the Transporters.

Preparations are being made at the offices of the railway mail service here for the quadrennial weighing of the mails, which will probably be started early in February. Once every four years, for a period of 105 days, all of the mails are weighed on all railroad lines. These weights are used as the basis for making the contracts between the government and the railroads and determining the amount, which the government shall pay each line for the transportation of its mails.

For the purpose of weighing the mails every four years, the United States is divided into four weighing divisions, of which this is the fourth. To complete the work in the fourth postal division, which has its headquarters at Omaha, 135 extra men will be required. These are selected from the eligible civil service lists of eligibles and substitutes for the railway postal service.

When these lists are exhausted, other men who are qualified for the work are chosen. Besides the available civil service lists, which contain more than enough names to fill the positions available, some 400 applications have been filed by other persons. The pay for this work is \$3 per day, but there is no allowance for expenses on the road, as in the case of railway mail clerks.

On the part of the railroads, each line will be required to furnish a number of special employes who will make Omaha their headquarters. The Union Pacific lines will require fifteen men, the Burlington eight, the Rock Island eight, the Northwestern six, and the stations in Omaha will need perhaps a dozen extra clerks. At the headquarters in the federal building another force of ten or twelve clerks under the direction of C. H. Cherry, will be the basis of activity. The daily totals will be compiled in Washington instead of at the usual headquarters as is said to have been the custom in former years. Much secrecy surrounds the date when the weighing will start. The department has not yet made public the date on which the 105-day work will start, and will likely not do so until all preparations for the work have been made.

House Rules Demos Against Standing Suffrage Committee

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Democrats of the house rules committee today refused to report a rule to create a standing committee on woman suffrage in the majority.

After much discussion the democratic majority concluded that the time was not ripe for creation of a separate committee on the subject. The action comes after a long campaign of the woman suffragettes in which the anti-suffragette organization made a spirited fight. Women suffragettes from every part of the country appeared at recent hearings, and later, led by Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, visited Wilson and urged him to ask congress in a message to create a suffrage committee. The president declined to do so, saying he had no authority to represent the democratic party in such a matter and could not transmit his own views in a message, whatever they might be. Suffrage leaders here were shocked at the news of their defeat and began discussing plans.

Eugenic Laws Would Do More Harm Than Good, Says Darrow

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Eugenic laws would do more harm than good and inevitable situations are breeders of criminals, Clarence S. Darrow told members of the Irish Fellowship club today. "You may develop potatoes and cattle by eugenics, but whenever you get above the brute you must have freedom and choice," he said. "Political philosophers are now trying to regulate birth," Mr. Darrow said, "and this is a mistake. It is a matter of degree, and the amount of political 'pull' one has. Nature does more than all the eugenic laws can ever do. She is ever busy building up the strong and tearing down the weak."

"We are laboring under an obsession that society will become perfect if we pass laws enough. These laws always effect more evils than the disease itself. If the making of laws were left to truly wise men there would be very few of them."

Forty Deaths from Traffic Accidents in Washington

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Traffic accidents in the district of Columbia exacted a toll of forty deaths and resulted in the more or less serious injury of 207 persons during the last fiscal year. These facts are disclosed in a report submitted to the commissioners of the district by Major Richard Sylvester, chief of police, in which he emphasizes the necessity of proper regulations enforced by an increased police force, to lessen such accidents.

Of the forty deaths, seventeen were due to motor vehicle accidents, one to a bicycle, eight to steam railways, twelve to street railways and two to other vehicles.

The report recommends amendment of the existing speed law so as to fix the rate of travel at all points in the district.

SENATOR'S RIB BROKEN BY FALL IN BATH TUB

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—To have a broken rib for almost two weeks and not know it, is the rather unusual experience of Senator Bacon of Georgia. The discovery has just been made by the senator. The sixth rib on the senator's left side is broken, the result of a fall in a bath tub recently while visiting friends at Albany, Ga.

FARMER RETURNING FROM CHURCH FINDS WIFE HANGED SELF

John Wieland of Near Neb., Discovers Body Swinging from Beam in Barn

GRUESOME SIGHT IN THE BARN

Two Children Few Months Old Shivering and Crying in House.

FIRE IN KITCHEN STOVE OUT

Breakfast Dishes Lying on Table as Left at Morning Meal.

WOMAN NOT IN HER RIGHT MIND

Authorities Decide Inquest Unnecessary, as Evident She Took Life While Temporarily Insane.

MADISON, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—John Wieland, a farmer, returning from church at Madison this morning to his home, four miles east of here, found the body of his wife, Mrs. John Wieland, hanging from a beam in the barn. She had hanged herself. Wieland left early in the morning. He reached home about 9 o'clock. He found the house cold; the fire was out in the kitchen stove. His twin babies, 2 months old, were shivering and crying on the floor. The breakfast dishes lay untouched on the table.

No Response to Calls. There was no sign of his wife about the house. Repeated calls brought no response. He ran to the barn.

As he opened the door he saw the form of his wife swinging from a rope attached to a beam. She was dead. He cut the rope and examined the body. It was evident that life had been extinct for more than an hour. Wieland telephoned to Sheriff Smith at Madison. The latter and Dr. Smart went to the Wieland farm house. Coroner Baker of Tilden joined them there.

No Inquest Held. It was decided that an inquest was unnecessary, as it was evident, so the sheriff, physician and coroner believed, that the woman had hanged herself in a moment of insanity.

It was apparent that she had arranged the details of the hanging with extreme care. Mrs. Wieland was reared in Madison and lived there until her marriage to Wieland a year and a half ago.

Funeral of Railroad Magnate is Delayed By Order of Coroner

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Efforts by the coroner to gain further information concerning the death of Richard D. Lankford, vice president of the Southern railway, apoplexiated by gas last Thursday in his Brooklyn home, delayed the departure today of the funeral party which accompanied the body to Princess Ann, Maryland.

As the pallbearers were leaving the Lankford home at the close of the funeral services, the coroner interfered, ordered the coffin to be set down, and demanded the production of a strong-box, belonging to the railroad man, which he had been told contained papers which would throw light on the question as to whether Lankford had committed suicide.

The box was turned over to him and the coroner consented to the removal of the body. He was told by friends of Lankford that it contained a letter to Miss Helen Patterson of Brooklyn, to whom Lankford was to have been married today, and their wedding ring. Later the box was found to hold an envelope containing the lease of an apartment they were to have occupied after their marriage. It was addressed to Miss Patterson. The wedding ring also was in the box.

The same clergyman who was to have married the railroad man to Miss Patterson conducted the funeral services. Miss Patterson is a member of the funeral party, which, on account of the coroner's interference was obliged to take a later train. Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern railway, and other officials of the road were the pallbearers.

Sees Government Doing Less Than Trusts for Public

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Co-operation among the farmers instead of competition, that "the farmer may receive the whole of the consumer's dollar for his product instead of 35 to 45 per cent, as is now the case," is the aim of a bill introduced by Senator Borah to create an "agrarian capital" of clearing house to be run by the farmers under government charter or subsidy.

The bill would furnish machinery for scientific marketing and standardization of farm products under direction of a country-wide organization of producers irrespective of any government control. It created quite a stir in the senate. Senator Borah explaining that he had not written the measure, but had introduced it, together with a memorial, at the request of E. H. Rettig, a farmer of Opportunity, Wash.

In the memorial, Rettig submitted that farmers were neglected by the government and he made the declaration that the "big trusts" had done more good for the public than the government.

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DRAG BAY FOR "A-7" IN VAIN

Torpedo Cables Fail to Locate Submarine of British Navy.

NO HOPE ELEVEN MEN LIVING

When Darkness Falls Commanding Officer Reluctantly Orders Vessels to Return to Their Moorings.

PLYMOUTH, Jan. 18.—An all-day search by a fleet of torpedo boats to which were attached cables to sweep the bottom of Whitesand bay, failed to locate the sunken British submarine, "A-7." When darkness fell the commanding officer reluctantly ordered the vessels to return to their moorings.

Although hope of any of the crew being alive was long ago given up—six hours being the maximum time they could breathe after the ship sank—the search will be resumed at daylight. The search was made more difficult by the fact that the buoy which the parent ship placed when the submarine was missed was driven to sea, and it is believed that the submarine itself drifted and probably lies at a depth of thirty fathoms.

Many theories have been put forward to account for the accident. "A-7" with "A-9" had been ordered to attack a destroyer with torpedoes. "A-9" fired, but "A-7" did not. Nothing has been heard of the "A-7", since, and it is believed that the machinery got out of order or the men were overcome by gas.

Lieutenant Gilbert Molesworth, who commanded the "A-7" was the nephew of Lady Molesworth, whose death from the sting of a wasp occurred on September 25 last, and he succeeded to her Trewarthenic estate in Cornwall.

Democrats Against Inquiry Into Coal and Copper Strikes

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WINDOW OF THE HUMAN SOUL

Many Blinds Not Raised to Let in the Light, Says Pastor.

REV. LOWE DRAWS PICTURE Expresses His Opinion on What Might Happen if Christ Should Come to Omaha at the Present Time.

"Through the south window of the human soul dance the little sunbeams radiated from the countenance of God just as the sunbeams from the sun dance through the south window of your home, but there is a vast host of inhabitants of this wide world who have not raised the blinds of their south windows and they have not seen the light of God. I fear that if God should send the Saviour Jesus to Omaha today there are a host of Omahans who would be among the first to grasp the mallet to drive the blind and the feet of Jesus to the cross."

Senate Committee Votes to Seat Lee in Maryland Contest

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The senate election committee yesterday, 7 to 3, voted to recommend that Blair Lee, democrat, be seated in the senate to succeed Senator Jackson, republican of Maryland, and by a vote of 9 to 1 determined to report adversely on the credentials of Frank P. Glass, appointed to succeed the late Senator Johnston of Alabama. Glass was appointed by Governor O'Neal to fill the unexpired term of Senator Johnston, who died after the direct elections amendment had become a part of the constitution. Representative Henry D. Clayton was first named, but resigned his commission before the committee had passed on his credentials.

German Ship With Ninety-Eight Aboard Sinks in the Sea

HAMBURG, Germany, Jan. 18.—No doubt remains that the German steamer Aclilla is lost, with its crew of forty-eight and fifty passengers. A telegram from Punta Arenas, Chile, received here today, says that the bodies of two of its officers were picked up today among a mass of wreckage in Most channel, north of Picton island, Tierra Del Fuego. Indians in the vicinity declare that a big steamer sank there some time ago.

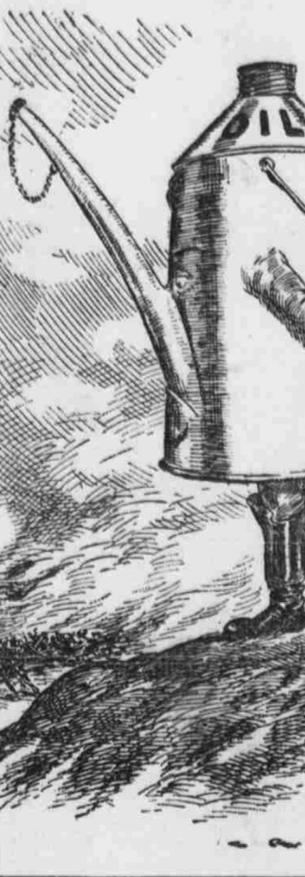
The Aclilla was a vessel of 3,000 tons net, built in 1900 and chartered by the Kosmos line. It left Carral, Chile, on October 27 for Hamburg.

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The Napoleon of Mexico



From The New York World.

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HOLDING COMPANIES TO GO

So President Will Advise in Trust Message to Congress Tuesday.

NEW FEATURES OF POLICY

Wilson Has Left to Houses the Task of Framing Detailed Remedies—Members of Cabinet Express Approval.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—President Wilson announced today that he would refer his message on anti-trust reform to a joint session of both houses of congress next Tuesday.

The president already has shown the document to democratic leaders in congress, members of the two congressional committees in charge of the legislation and to members of the cabinet. All have expressed approval.

The president has left to congress the task of framing the detailed remedies. Besides the provision for an interstate trade commission, the prohibition of interlocking directorates and reduction of the "debatable area" of the Sherman law, three hitherto unannounced features of the president's plan are:

1. The prohibition of holding companies. Corporations would be forbidden to own or hold shares or be interested in the business of actual competitors or cognate concerns; and the acquisition of stock or interests in noncompetitive concerns would be possible only with the consent of the Interstate Commerce commission or the proposed interstate trade commission.

2. Empowering the Interstate Commerce commission to regulate and supervise the issuance of securities by the railroads so that the public would exercise through the commission a certain control over the future use of which the money obtained from the issue of stocks or bonds would be put.

3. Wherever at the instance of the government, either in civil or criminal proceedings, the courts have rendered judgment on the unlawfulness of any combination, individual or concerns aggrieved through the combination would have the benefit of such adjudication and not be required in their suits to prove again the illegality of the combinations.

Thus spoke Rev. Titus Lowe in his sermon at the First Methodist church yesterday morning. He preached on the "South Window of the Soul," and he reiterated and amplified the foregoing expressions throughout his sermon and urged that those who had so far failed to raise their south windows should do so at once because it is never too late, as the sun always shines and it only remains to lift the blinds to have the light come in.

Sees Currency Law Making U. S. Money Power of the World

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 18.—"The new banking and currency bill will make the United States the financial power of the world and thus enable it to have the commercial and industrial supremacy to which it is entitled," Robert L. Owen, United States senator from Oklahoma, said here.

Senator Owen was a guest and the only speaker at a banquet of the Kansas City Clearing House association, to which had been invited 50 bankers from Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Oklahoma, said here.

"The opportunities of life are greater in America under the operation of the new currency bill than ever before," the senator said. "No man in the future need fear to engage in a legitimate enterprise under the apprehension that the ground will be cut from under his feet by a sudden contraction in credits."

PRESIDENT GOES TO SEE MUSICAL COMEDY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—President Wilson has returned to his program of banishing official business on Saturdays, after strenuous days following his three weeks' vacation. The president played golf in the morning, but instead of taking a long automobile ride as has been his custom on Saturday afternoons, attended a matinee performance of a musical comedy, accompanied by his youngest daughter, Miss Eleanor Wilson, and Secretary Tammity. It was the president's first matinee visit to a local theater and he enjoyed it heartily.

Six Children Burn to Death

COBOKEN, Minn., Jan. 18.—Six children of Mrs. Weatherly were burned to death today when fire destroyed their home. The mother escaped by jumping from a window.

EX-SOLDIERS ARE IDENTIFIED AS RESORT BANDITS

Former Victim of Them in U. S. Army Produces Photograph Instantly Recognized.

ONE IS JOE DAVIS, ALIAS CARTER

Other is Known Under the Name of Harrison.

THIRD MAN NOT YET KNOWN

Lyman Barnes, Honorably Discharged Soldier, Gives Tip.

RYDER OFFERS \$500 REWARD

Will Pay This Sum Out of Own Pocket in Addition to Similar Sum Offered by Police for Bandits' Capture.

One tangible clue to the murderers of Henry E. Nickel has been discovered by the police. Two photographs of men taken from a group picture of a company of United States soldiers at Fort Leavenworth, have been positively identified by the inmates of Hazel McVey's resort, where the murder was committed, as well as several other persons who came in contact with the bandits, Saturday night at police headquarters, when a former comrade of the men, who was rotting in 1900 by them seven weeks ago in Kansas City appeared with the likeness.

The two men pointed out, known as Joe Davis, or Carter, and one Harrison, are now being sought by the police. Commissioner Ryder offers \$500, to be paid out of his own pocket for the arrest of the men wanted, and this, with several hundred dollars offered by Hazel McVey, has added incentive to the search.

Men Ask for Barnes. Lyman Barnes, who was recently honorably discharged from the government service, told the police that a month or so ago, in Kansas City, he was with his former comrades, and was robbed of his money. The next he heard of them was when they came to the Havana hotel, where he lives, and asked for him. He was not in at the time, but recognized them from the description given of them.

When he afterward heard through the newspapers that the men sought for the Nickel murder were those who asked for him, he appeared at headquarters with the company picture and allowed all who were in the resort at the time of the shooting to look at it.

Nearly every one recognized the two men instantly, but could not identify any other man in the picture as being the third of the bandit trio. Detectives think that the men may still be in Omaha or South Omaha and a vigilant watch is being kept for them.

Lay South Omaha Job to Them. The South Omaha police investigating the robbery of the Rollo Hipsley tobacco store at 309 North Twenty-second street say that the job was done by the three men wanted.

Commissioner Ryder, after being closeted with Captains Maloney and Dempsey for a while, came out and made the announcement of reward for the capture.

Sends Word to Hotels. Chief of Detectives Maloney has issued orders to all his men to visit the hotels and rooming houses that are liberal in housing questionable characters and notify the proprietors that he will prosecute them under the Albert law if the practice is not discontinued forthwith.

Three Suspects Held. A dragnet, made up of Detectives Sullivan, Kennedy, Lahey, McDonald, Rich and Dunn, landed three suspects in connection with the McVey resort murder early yesterday. The men were arrested and gave their names as Joe Smith, Tom Mackey and Charles Williams. They have no definite addresses.

Word was sent out Friday for the resorts to close and as a consequence most compiled, although several raids (Continued on Page Two.)

Roger Sullivan is Candidate for Senate

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Roger C. Sullivan of Chicago tonight